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SUBJECT

Loss of measurement book No 968
in Madhugiri Sub-Division

P.W. 4-158-57

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To the Chief Engineer for S.D.D. in
the Comptroller of Mysore

Refers to the proposal of C.E.S. to
lose of the measurement book from
the accounts

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Letter No. 3194 - 95 / E dated 22.12.1945 from
the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Requests sanction to write off from
accounts measurement book No. 968 of 20 pages
which has been lost while in the custody
of Mr. K. Srinivasa Rao, Overseer, NO-2. P.W.D.
Sub Division, Madhavpur.

Mr. K. Srinivasa Rao has admitted that
the measurement book was lost while it was
in his custody. He states in his explanation
dated 18.3.1944 that the lost measurement
book was with him till the night of 2.12.1943;
but it cannot be gathered from the records
made available as to when the loss was
actually noticed. The Overseer suspects that
the book was stolen by the section Contractor
who slept in his house on the night of 12.12.1943
and who went away the next morning
without informing him.

2. The book is stated to have contained
the measurements of two works, one in favour
of Mr. Hanumantha Rao for repairing
Akkirampur tank and the other in favour
of Mr. S. Sitharamiah for constructing
madaboy to Navathur tank. The former
work is reported to have been closed finally
and the other is susceptible of being measured
totally and final claims settled without

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difficulty. In these circumstances, the Chief Engineer recommends that the increment of Rs 57- viz from Rs 80/- to Rs 85/- that accrued to the Overseer on 28.9.44 may be stopped for a period of one year without prejudice to his future increment. The Overseer has put in a service of 31 years in the Dept.

3. The loss of a measurement book is a serious matter, as it is the basis on which the Contractors claims are settled. In a similar case in 1942, the pay of Mr. K. Subba Rao, Sub Overseer, who was responsible for the loss of measurement book no 1048 was reduced from Rs 80/- to Rs 75/- for a period of six months. The Connected file is put up.

Sd/- for order.

By 6/12/45. The increment of Mr. K. Srinivasa Rao from Rs 80 to

Rs 85 accrued to him on 28.9.1945

and not on 28.9.1944 as stated by

the Chief Engineer's letter. The request of the loss of measurement book comes to Government two years after the incident. Whence periodical check of such measurement books is not being

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exercised by the S.D.O.'s and Divisional Officers requires examination by Senior Officers.

6/12/1945 The proposal of the Chief Engineer to stop the increment of the overseer for a period of one year may be appd, and the book written off.

Q.E.I. reports ^{Secy)} loss of Measurement Book ^{R 10/12} No 968 of 20 pages and the responsibility is fastened on Mr. K. Srinivasrao, overseer No. 2 Sub div, Madhugiri. The book has been taken place Mr. a Contractor. The book contained mts for two works, one of which was closed finally and the other contained was the final bill with which the contractor was presumably concerned. The loss is a serious affair and the C.E.I. has proposed the stoppage of increment to the overseer by one year, without detriment to the future increments of the overseer. The recommendation may be approved. The Final Min^r P.W. mts of the work contained in the book could be verified ^{Fin^r Secy} 13/12/45 and resolved. The book in question may be approved ^{15/12} to be written off the account ^{17/12}

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Loss of measurement books seems to be common in Tumkur Division. When dealing with the case of one Mr. G. Krishna Swamy, Asst Engineer Tumkur Sub-division in connection with the loss of a measurement book by him Govt. directed that the G. E. may be requested to issue a circular — impressing on the subordinate officers the necessity of preserving the measurement books carefully and apprising them of the consequences of such a loss. It is hoped that a circular instructions have been issued. The punishments proposed by the G. E. I. in this case having regard to the circumstances under which the measurement books are said to have been lost is approved.

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OFFICE OF

The Chief Engineer for Irrigation
in Mysore, Bangalore.No.
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Date

23-11-45

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Bangalore.

P. W. S. 2294

24-11-45

Sir,

Loss of Measurement Book No.968 of 20 pages which was under the custody of Mr.K.Srinivasa Rao, Overseer, Tumkur Division.

I have the honour to state that the Measurement Book No.968 of 20 pages which was under the custody of the above-mentioned Overseer is reported to have been lost. The Measurement book is stated to have contained measurements of 2 works i.e., one in favour of Mr.Hanumantha Rao for repairing Akkirampur Tank whose final claims have already been settled and the other in favour of Mr.D.Sitharamiah, for constructing Madaboy to Mavathur tank, on whose behalf one bill has already been prepared and paid.

2. The Overseer has mentioned in his explanation that the section contractor who was not in good terms with him walked away with the book without his knowledge from his house. The explanation of the Overseer is herewith enclosed.

3. The Superintending Engineer, Mysore Circle, has recommended that the case of the subordinate may be viewed leniently as the measurement book has not been lost but was stolen by some one, who had grievances against him.

4. The measurement books should not have been kept in a place accessible to the contractors. He should not have allowed the contractor to get into the room where he had kept the measurement books. The measurements recorded in the book do not present any difficulties as one work has been closed finally and the other is susceptible of being measured totally

C.O.,

totally (being masonry) and final claims settled without difficulty. The Overseer has put in 31 years service in the Department and an increment of Rs.5/- raising the pay from Rs.80/- to Rs.85/- has ~~been~~ accrued to him on 28-9-1944. The Superintending Engineer, Mysore Circle, is being requested to withhold the increment accrued to the subordinate for a period of one year without prejudice to future increments, for his carelessness. The Chief Engineer for Roads & Buildings is also ~~an~~ agreeable to this.

5. I request that ~~the~~ sanction of Government to write off the measurement book from the accounts may be kindly be - obtained and communicated.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

GCS/22nd.

W. S. Daplat
CHIEFENGINEER FOR IRRIGATION.
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Sir,

Information was received that the Superintending Engineer Mysore Circle Mysore will inspect Marathu tank & Channels on 10-12-43. Due to heavy discharge over Marathu tank weir, the Causeway constructed across weir falls on Marathu Tondibharu Road is damaged to an extent of 65' in length during October rains. Although the Sectional Contractor Mr. Mir Ezzad Hussain was instructed personally on the 18 Nov 1943 by the Executive Engineer during inspection to effect temporary repairs, neither he appeared before me for instructions nor set right the damaged portion of Causeway till 6th Dec 1943. A report was made to the Assistant Engineer regarding the situation & as per instructions the damaged Causeway was set right by other agency Mr. Bhadriah of Doddasagere as the matter was very urgent in the interest of public traffic. Because the work was got done by other agency the sectional Contractor kicked up a row with me & went on exchanging hot words. With the advice of Malamanigara, Sowdy Nagappa & messrs R. Hanumantha Rao, Bhadriah & Mir Mumawar Hussain, this sectional Contractor Mr. Mir Ezzad Hussain came to me for compromise. I consoled myself of my anger & came back to head quarters in the evening as I could not attend to Govt duties any longer due to discribency. With the object of recording further mts. of work done by Mr. D. Sitaramaiah on Marathu tank left sluice Channel after October rains on 10th Dec 43 afternoon after Superintending Engineer's inspection, I had taken the concerned measurements Book in my bag & the book had been by some of the people who had gathered to compromise us. Under the circumstances the facts noted in the Anonymous petition i.e. that the measurement book in question was lost three months back & the fact is not brought to the notice of the higher authorities are not correct.

If necessary the statement of Malammanigar, Sowdy Narasappa, messers Mir Munasar Hussain, R. Hanumanta Rao, Bhadrach and head cooly Sanjeevanmurti Rao may kindly be obtained to find out the truth.

On returning home on the 10th evening I placed all the records with the measurement book on my table in the upstairs of my house & I had observed it lying on my table even on the 12¹²₄₃ evening. The contractor Mr Mir Syad Hussain came to me at dead of night at 12⁰ Clocks on 12th night leaving his cycle in Mr T. S. Saravannam Pillay's house with a plea to ascertain when I shall be going over to his Section on Maruthur Thondabharu Road for measurements although he was aware of the date of recording measurements of works done by him after compromising ourselves at Maruthur T.B. in presence of other Contractors Malammanigar & Sowdy Narasappa. I replied I shall be going over for recording measurements on the 15¹⁵₄₃ as already settled at Maruthur on the 10th evening & went to bed. The head cooly Sanjeevanmurti Rao was sleeping in the hall at down stairs & this contractor instead of going over to the spot where he had left his cycle to sleep, took the head cooly to the upstairs with great compulsion & slept along with him to gain his object.

Next morning early when I opened the door this contractor walked away without my knowledge quite contrary to usual behaviour & he has not appeared before me in connection with his contract work till now. Anonymous petition & telegamme from Madhupuri post & telegraph office sent to high authorities regarding the subject & all the above mentioned circumstances have lead me to suspect very strongly that this particular contractor has walked away with the measurement book placed on my office table in the upstairs where he had slept.

The missing measurement book was with me till 12-12-43 night & contained the final measurements of works of repairing Akki Rampa tank got done by Mr. D. Hanumanta Rao whose final claims have already been settled during June 1943 & measurements of 1st bill of constructing madaboyees by Mr. D. Sitaramaiah on manathu tank left sluice Channel. The claims of works so far done by Mr. D. Sitaramaiah have also been checked & and have been paid during June 1943. The second work namely Construction of madaboyees had to be suspended due to several seasonal conditions & for want of instructions by higher authorities after inspection. The Contractor resumed work after October rains and completed two more madaboyees at the end of Nov 1943 & mts are still due to the Contractor. All the works executed are of masonry. One & total measurements may be recorded at any time & there is no difficulty to settle the claims of the Contractor.

In Conclusion under the circumstances explained above I beg to bring to your kind notice that the measurement book in question is not lastly one & has been walked away by the suspected party to bring the poor Surveyor to troubles & I have not come across with such instance in my thirty years of service in the Dept. I request that the matter may kindly be considered favourably & orders passed to which act of kindness I shall ever remain grateful.

I beg to remain

Yours most obedient servant

(Sd) K. Srinivasa Rao 18/3/44
Surveyor

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(Srinivaswamy)

No. 2, S.D.O.

Madhupuri

Return of measurement books of K. Srinivas Rao, Surveyor for
December 1943.

	Name of work.	Book No.	Pages.			Remarks
			15	25	50	
1	Buildings.	4148	.	1	.	with S.O.
2	Miscellaneous works. 38-39	3639	.	1	.	Do
3	Masonry works in Marathur tank	4170	.	.	1	Do
4	A.R. of D.K. Road. 41-42	4033	.	.	1	Do
5	— do — K.B. Road	4034	.	.	1	Do
6	Mis tank works 40-41. Silt clearing at Marathur }	4126	.	.	1	Do
7	S.O. of D.K. Road 41-42	4029	.	.	1	Do
8	A.R. of K.B. Road.	4436	.	1	.	Do
9	A.R. of D.K. Road.	4435	.	1	.	Do
10	A.R. of K.B. Road 42-43	4103	.	.	1	Do
11	Mis works buildings	3640	.	1	.	Do
12	A.R. of T.B. Road. 42-43.	4076	.	.	1	Do
13	— do —	4075	.	.	1	Do
14	Mis works. 37-38.	3627	.	1	.	Do
15	Mis works T.D. Road	4214	.	.	1	Do
16	Opening out a Road from Thembadi to Jonigara halli 42-43 }	4248	.	1	.	Do
17	— do — 41-42	4187	.	.	1	Do
18	— do — 41-42	4338	1	.	.	Do
19	— do — 41-42	4185	.	.	1	Do
20	— do — 41-42	4189	.	.	1	Do
21	— do — 42-43	4247	.	1	.	Do
22	— do — 41-42	4186	.	.	1	Do
23	— do — 41-42	4339	1	.	.	Do
24	— do — 42-43	4251	.	1	.	Do
25	— do — 41-42	4337	1	.	.	Do
26	— do — 42-43	4249	.	1	.	Do
27	— do — 42-43	4250	.	1	.	Do
28	— do — 42-43	4952	.	1	.	Do
29	— do — 41-42	4188	.	.	1	Do
30	— do — 41-42	4209	.	1	.	Do
31	— do — 41-42	4335	1	.	.	Do
32	— do — 41-42	4336	1	.	.	Do
33	Opening out a new Road from Marathur to Shonabhai 43-44 }	4273	.	.	1	Do
34	41-42 — do —	4341	1	.	.	Do

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					Pages		
					15	25	50
B.J. (34)					6	13	15
25	Marruthu Thonsebhavi Road.	41-42	4343	1			
26	— Do —	41-42	4347	1			
27	— Do —	41-42	4341	1			
28	— Do —	41-42	4345	1			
29	— Do —	41-42	4342	1			
30	— Do —	41-42	4346	1			
31	— Do —	43-44	4125				In S.D. office with bill
32	A.R. of D.K. Road.	43-44	4123			1	with S.O.
33	— Do — K.B. Road	43-44	4124			1	with S.O.
34	A.R. of Buildings mis	42-43	971		1		— Do —
35	Town hall at Koratagere.	41-42	4167			1	— Do —
36	Mis Works	41-42	4208		1		— Do —
37	Constructing rest house at Kegamamahalli.	41-42	4168			1	— Do —
38	Buildings at Holanamahalli & widening Rangafur tank bund		4147		1		— Do —
39	A.R. of T.B. Road.	43-44	4118			1	— Do —
40	— Do —	43-44	4433		1		— Do —
41	Mis Dasalhumte town.	41-42	4203			1	— Do —
42	Mis Works.	41-42	4213			1	— Do —
43	Mis Works at Karatagere.	41-42	4184			1	— Do —
44	Mis Works at Karatagere.	41-42	4212			1	— Do —
45	Constructing a new tank at Humtady	41-42	4127			1	— Do —
46	Mis Works Vaddarahalli tank	41-42	973		1		— Do —
47	— Do —	42-43	969		1		— Do —
48	— Do —	42-43	970		1		— Do —
49	— Do —	42-43	972		1		— Do —
50	Mis Works Buildings at Karatagere	42-11				1	— Do —
51	Distress Works	4202				1	In S.D. office
52		3602				1	— Do —
53		4183				1	— Do —
54	Mis Works.	42-43	968		1		Missing.

These books were counted by me on 31-12-43 & found correct as per remarks.

Sd/- K. Srinivasa Rao
Surveyor 31-12

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M. No 1381 d 2/5/44

Submitted to the Ex-Com in Enquiry

Letter to, Letter for his personal
& favorable consideration.

The Surveyor's statement is true by
Circumstantial evidence, he suspects
a certain person, but who is

inimically disposed towards him. But
'it is not possible, in the absence of
direct evidence, to charge the
suspected. However, the loss of
H. No. has been accepted by him
although he is not directly responsible
and it cannot be attributed wholly,
being a ~~bad servant of 30 years~~
to his negligence as he is well aware
of its importance -

The H. No. is said to contain mts of
2 works. One is Repair work of
Skkirampur tank & the claim of
this tank is finalized already. The
other mts are those of Marathur tank.
Madaboyes, for which, a high
bill has been paid. Total mts have
now been taken for this work & the
ytd has also called same. The mts
of work done for the first will agree
with the Paid Bill & so there is no
difficulty to settle the tank's claim.

Under the circumstances, the loss of
H. No. may kindly be condoned.
As noted, further mts on new
received in a separate work &
bill is submitted for payment.

From

K. Srinivasan Rao
Surveyor
D. P. W.
K. S. Rao

See Srinivasan Rao's letter
No 2 S. S. Rao
D. P. W.
Madhav Rao

No A.
date 25-4-44.

Sir,
In continuation of my No. 274
dated 18-3-44 I beg to inform
your office my explanation
regarding loss of measure
ment book No 968 for some
time has been.

I have to inform your
office in my charge & this
particular missing book
No 968 contained the final
measurements of repair
works of Skkirampur
tank in favour of Mr.
A. Hanumanth Rao whose
final claims have already
been settled during June &
also measure mts of
first bill in favour of Mr.
D. Sitaranathaiah who has
constructed madaboyes
along left sluice channel
of Marathur tank & the
claims of the same have
not been finally settled.
There is no loss of

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done by me in
service. put in
with Mr
4/5
M. Srinivasan
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and work named Construction of madalagoes for the last four months after June 1943 due to seas conditions.

The Contractor resumed work during Nov 1943 & completed construction of two more madalagoes by the end of Nov 1943 & came to me in Dec 43 to get his works measured by me. In the mean-while ~~Ammanius~~ ^{Ammanius} put this ^{me} review & verification made & found that this work was 968 ^{was} missing. Under the circumstances the further work done by the Contractor is still ~~Ammanius~~ ^{Ammanius} unmeasured. I made a thorough search & regret I could not find the missing book & I suspect strongly that this book must have been ~~taken~~ ^{Taken} away from my house in my absence by the ~~Ammanius~~ ^{Ammanius} put this writers with a mischievous motive to bring ^{me} ~~the~~ ^{my} poor subordinate into trouble. All the works executed & measured & to be measured ~~are~~ ^{are} masonry pieces & easy to measure total measurements & need ~~to~~ ^{to} agree with the ~~paid~~ ^{paid} bill & so the claims of the contractor can be settled without any difficulty & there is no loss to ~~govt~~ ^{govt} by the loss of this measurement book.

Under the circumstances explained above, the measurement book in question is not actually lost by me but hatched by some ~~mischievous~~ ^{mischievous} mischief man far. I have not come ^{across with} such unhappy incident in my 30 years of service in the ~~dept~~ ^{dept}. I therefore request that the matter may kindly be considered favourably & the loss of measurement book condoned in view of my ^{long} service in the ~~dept~~ ^{dept}.

For which of kindness I shall ever remain grateful to you Sir.

I beg to remain
Sir.

Your Most Obedient
Servant.

K. S. Nivase Rao
Surveyor

25.4.44.

SUBJECT

Loss of measurement book no. 968

Diary No. of letter replied to

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Signed by *Mr. B. K. N.*

May this be—

- (i) printed ?
(ii) treated as a standing order ?
(iii) published in the Gazette,
English Part ?
(iv) translated ?
(v) placed at the disposal of the press ?
(vi) published in the Gazette,
Kannada Part ?

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and that his increment
from Rs 80 to Rs 85 which
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to his future increments
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Sanction to write off
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from the accounts.

Section *2nd*

File No. 74-45

Serial No. 7

Proceedings of the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read— Letter no 3194-95/E

dated 23-11-1945 from the
Chief Engineer for Uniform
stating that measurement
book no 968 of 20 pages which
was in the custody of Mr. K.
Srinivasa Rao, Overseer, No. 2.
Pub Works Sub Div. Madampin

Order thereon—No.

was
~~has been lost, and requesting~~
~~sanction to the following~~

~~proposals:—~~

- ~~i. The measurement book
no 968 being written off the
account and~~
- ~~ii. The increment of Rs 7/-
from Rs 80/- to Rs 85/- that~~

very

accused to Mr. K. Shivagosa Rao, overseer, on 28.9.45
who was responsible for the loss, being
stopped for a period of one year, without
prejudice to his future increments.

Order them no P.W. 4756-57 / ^{Est 74-45-7} ~~Est 74-45-7~~ 7.1.46

The proposals of the Chief
Engineer are approved.

2. Govt observe that instances of
loss of measurement books ~~are not infrequent~~
seem to be common in the P.W. Dept. Therefore
The Chief Engineer is requested to issue
a circular ~~recommending~~ impressing
on the subordinate officers the necessity
of preserving the measurement books
carefully and apprising them of the
consequences of ~~loss~~ ^{their} loss.

List of Enclosures

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Secy to Govt P.W. Dept. ⁸/₁₂

To

The C.E. for Dindur
The Campbelle to Govt.

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